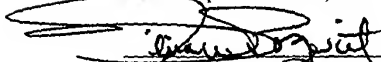


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Dear Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventors : **Douglas P. FUNK**

For : **LACE SECURING AND ADJUSTING DEVICE**

- [X] Patent Application Data Sheet;
- [X] 13 pages of specification and claims;
- [X] Formal Drawings (7 sheets, Figs. 1A-8);
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement;
- [X] PTO/SB/08 (Substitute for form PTO 1449A) w/attached 10 references;
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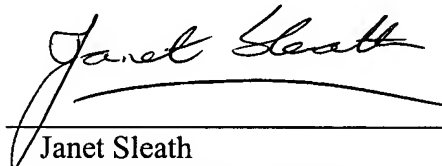
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